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Madam President,

On behalf of this Delegation, allow me to express our sincere appreciation to New Zealand for their active role as Coordinator on National Implementation Measures.

As stated in previous meetings, Lebanon has undertaken major steps towards national implementation of the CCM. Among steps taken was a comprehensive review of relevant legislations; Moreover, a legal study on how best to align existing laws with the Convention was carried between 2012 and 2013. This study that identified a number of recommendations on the provisions of prohibition and victim assistance was shared with relevant stakeholders at the national level. We are determined to continue our engagement with the relevant parties in an inclusive participatory manner in order to ensure harmony between Lebanese laws and the CCM.

Madam President,

As you may all well know, Lebanon currently faces big challenges as a result of the turmoil in the region; nonetheless, it stands committed to its obligations. In this regard, a series of consultative sessions with our national partners were held, as to integrate views on the CCM national implementation. This will eventually lead to a national action plan and we look forward to update you on the process.

Thank you